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SUBJECT: BILATERAL TEXTILE CONSULTATIONS

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1. RE TIMING U.S.-ROK BILATERAL TEXTILE CONSULTATIONS, PARK PIL SOO CALLED EMBASSY TODAY TO PURSUE QUESTION OF POSSIBLE EARLIER START FOR THESE TALKS (SEE REF A). HE HAS NOW CONFERRED WITH BOTH MINISTER AND VICE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY. HE IS NOT AWARE WHETHER THEY, IN TURN, HAVE AS YET DISCUSSED WITH ANYONE ELSE. HOWEVER, THEY WOULD LIKE TO ASK INFORMALLY IF IT POSSIBLE TO HOLD TALKS DURING FOURTH WEEK OF JULY.

2. PARK ADDED THAT ROK WOULD ACTUALLY PREFER GETTING STARTED EVEN EARLIER, BUT THEY RECOGNIZE U.S. CURRENTLY TIED UP WITH TEXTILE CONSULTATIONS WITH JAPAN AND THEY HAVE TRIED TO TAKE THAT INTO CONSIDERATION.

3. IN ADDITION TO ABOVE, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS ALSO CALLED TODAY INDICATING WITH SOME CHAGRIN THAT THEY HAD BEEN NOTIFIED BY ROK EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON THAT WE HAD BEEN REQUESTED TO PROPOSE TO MCI SEPTEMBER 3 DATE FOR STARTING TEXTILE CONSULTATIONS. MOFA MADE IT QUITE CLEAR THAT THEY HAD EXPECTED
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FORMAL PROPOSAL FOR TIMING OF CONSULTATIONS WOULD BE MADE

THROUGH ROK EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON. WE TOLD MOFA THAT WE HAVE JUST BEEN TALKING INFORMALLY WITH MCI.

4. IN VIEW MOFA'S POSITION, DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO MAKE FORMAL PROPOSAL ON TIMING TO ROK EMBASSY, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT, IF POSSIBLE, ROK DESIRE FOR EARLIER DATE. IF DEPARTMENT HAS REASONS FOR NOT WISHING TO DO SO, EMBASSY INTENDS TO MAKE "FORMAL PROPOSAL" ON TIMING OF TALKS TO MOFA UPON RECEIPT OF DEPARTMENT'S RESPONSE.
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